

NOTES.

NOTE ON A PREOCCUPIED NAME IN POLYPLACOPHORA.—Mr. Tom Iredale has recently been good enough to call my attention to the fact that the specific name *pilsbryanus*, recently proposed by me¹ for a chiton dredged by the United States Fisheries steamer *Albatross* off the coast of Japan, is preoccupied in the genus *Ischnochiton*, where I had placed it, by *I. pilsbryanus* Bednall, 1896,² a South Australian species. Although it is by no means certain that the *Lepidozona* group to which this species belongs is correctly referred to *Ischnochiton* even as a subgenus, the fact that it was so referred in my paper as printed necessitates the adoption of a new name for the later species. The Japanese form I therefore propose to denominate *I. (L.) nipponica*.

It was my intention originally to describe the species as an outright *Lepidozona*, but, not being ready to give my opinion as to the proper position for the group, I thought it wisest in the final draft of the paper conservatively to refer it back to *Ischnochiton*. It happened at that time that Bednall's paper was inaccessible to me, and this fact, together with my unfamiliarity with its contents, prevented my discovery of the existence of his prior name until too late for the proper correction to be made in my paper.—S. S. BERRY.

I ran into a curious bit of coincidence on Cerros Island. I took *Epiphragmophora veatchii* only on one very peculiar tree and never more than two to a tree. I brought home the flowers and leaves, which I sent to the California Academy for diagnosis. The tree turns out to have been taken originally on Cerros Island. It was described originally as *Rhus veatchiana*, and Dr. Gray afterwards made a genus *Veatchia* for it.—FRED BAKER.

¹ Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 54, pp. 1, 10 (1917).

² Proc. Malac. Soc. London, vol. 2, p. 142 (1896).



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